

REMARKS

Claims 1, 14, 27, 41 and 55 were amended for additional clarity. It is asserted that this amendment does not narrow in any way the scope of the original claims. The amendment is directed to defining the plays as distinct and individual, as opposed to a drive, which is made up of a plurality of plays.

The Examiner has rejected the claims as being obvious over Jensen in view of Shur.

The claimed invention is distinguishable from Jensen, since Jensen does not show each distinct and individual play, but rather a summation of plays that make up a drive represented by only a single line, thereby failing to convey information on the nature of each play. The broad Claims 1, 14, 27, 41 and 55 include limitation that each of the at least two plays are distinct and individual that can be distinguished from each other.

Claim 61 has been amended to include an additional step. It is believed that the rejection by the Examiner has been overcome.

It is asserted that claims 61, 63 and 65 are patentable over the cited references since none of the references show information regarding at least one play in response to a user identifying at least one of the plurality of symbols.

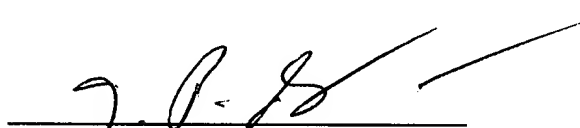
In view of the above, since none of the references teach or suggest Applicant's claimed invention, it is asserted that

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claims 1, 14, 27, 41, 55, 61, 63 and 65 and claims dependent therefrom are patentable over the cited references and are asserted to be in condition for allowance.

Applicants respectfully request an extension of time for three months through April 10, 2002, in order to timely file this amendment. A check in the amount of \$460.00 is attached herewith for the extension fee. It is believed that no additional fees are due; however, should that be incorrect, please charge to Deposit Account No. 19-2105 and inform the undersigned.

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VERSION OF CLAIMS WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

1. (Twice amended) An article of manufacture for conveying information regarding a football game between two teams, comprising:

a substrate;

a plurality of symbols rendered on the substrate along a path representing at least a portion of a drive by one of the two teams, and

the plurality of symbols representing at least two distinct and individual plays that occurred during the drive such that each of the at least two distinct and individual plays can be distinguished from one another.

14. (Twice amended) An apparatus for producing an article of manufacture that conveys information regarding a football game between two teams, comprising:

a printing device configured to render a plurality of symbols along a path representing at least a portion of a drive by one of the two teams, and

the plurality of symbols representing at least two distinct and individual plays that occurred during the drive such that each of the at least two distinct and individual plays can be distinguished from one another.

27. (Twice amended) A computer-implemented method for rendering a diagram representing a football game between two

teams, comprising a step of:

(a) in response to information input to a processor regarding at least two distinct and individual plays in a drive by one the two teams,

rendering a plurality of symbols on at least one of a display and a substrate of a printing device, the plurality of symbols being rendered along a path representing at least a portion of a drive by one of the two teams, and

representing the at least two distinct and individual plays such that each of the at least two plays can be distinguished from one another.

41. (Twice amended) A computer-readable medium for use with a processor, the medium having a plurality of instructions stored thereon which, when executed by the processor, cause the processor to perform a step of:

(a) in response to information input to the processor regarding at least two distinct and individual plays in a drive by a football team,

causing a plurality of symbols to be rendered on at least one of a display and a substrate of a printing device, the plurality of symbols being rendered along a path representing at least a portion of the drive by one of the two teams, and

representing the at least two distinct and individual plays such that each of the at least two distinct and individual

plays can be distinguished from one another.

55. (Twice amended) An apparatus for rendering a diagram representing a football game between two teams, comprising:

means, responsive to information input by a user regarding at least two ~~distinct and individual~~ plays in a drive by one of the teams, for rendering a plurality of symbols on at least one of a display and a substrate of a printing device, the plurality of symbols being rendered along a path representing at least a portion of the drive by one of the two teams; and

means for representing the at least two ~~distinct and individual~~ plays such that each of the at least two ~~distinct and individual~~ plays can be distinguished from one another.

61. (Amended) A method for displaying information to a user regarding a football game between two teams, the user being presented with a plurality of symbols rendered along a path representing at least a portion of a drive by one of the two teams, the method comprising ~~a step~~ ~~the steps~~ of:

(a) in response to the user identifying at least one of the plurality of symbols, ~~identifying the user's data input,~~

~~(b) processing the user's data input, and~~

~~(c)~~ displaying information regarding at least one play represented by the identified at least one of the plurality of symbols.